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FM AMEMBASSY DAKAR

TO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN IMMEDIATE

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SUBJ: ISRAELI TELEX TRANSMISSIONS TO DAKAR

FOR: AMBASSADOR ROOT FROM AMBASSADOR

1. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED ON OPEN EMBASSY COMMERCIAL TELEX LINE SERIES OF MESSAGES IN HEBREW PRESUMABLY ENCRYPTED FROM ISRAELI EMBASSY ABIDJAN ADDRESSED TO ISRAELI EMBASSY DAKAR, CARE OF AMERICAN EMBASSY DAKAR. USE THIS FACILITY EXPLAINED BY FACT THAT ISRAELI EMBASSY ABIDJAN HAS BEEN HAVING TROUBLE REACHING THEIR COUNTERPARTS HERE BY TELEX FOR SEVERAL DAYS.

2. CONCURRENTLY WITH THIS FAIT ACCOMPLI, ISRAELIS IN ABIDJAN TELEPHONED ISRAELI EMBASSY HERE SAYING THEY HAD SENT TRAFFIC IN THIS FASHION, AND LATTER NATURALLY HAS TELEPHONED US SAYING THEY READY TO COME OVER AND PICK IT UP.

3. IT IS RATHER OBVIOUS IN LIGHT RECENT EVENTS IN LEBANON AND ELSEWHERE AND FATAH EFFORTS TO LINK US TO ISRAELI OPERATIONS AND INTELLIGENCE THAT IT IS HIGHLY UNDESIRABLE THAT COMMUNICATION OF THIS SORT TAKE PLACE OVER OPEN TELEX FACILITIES.

4. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONTACTING ISRAELI EMBASSY ABIDJAN AND ASKING THEM IN MANNER YOU DEEM MOST EFFECTIVE TO STOP THIS
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PRACTICE. I HAVE NO OBJECTION TO OUR PASSING ISRAELI TRAFFIC OVER
SECURE CLASSIFIED TRANSMISSION FACILITIES IN THE EVENT THIS SEEMS
DESIRABLE AND REASONABLE, AS WE OFTEN DO FOR FRIENDLY EMBASSIES
HERE ON MATTERS RELATING TO THEIR AFFAIRS IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

5. IN MEANTIME I HAVE DIRECTED OUR C AND R TO REFUSE FURTHER
TRAFFIC FROM ISRAELI EMBASSY ABIDJAN.
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